

My Gift

What do you say to the one who inspires you
to be the BEST you can be?
What words can express the gratitude felt
When a teacher's example is key?

Key to the choices you make in life—
Key to the person you are.
How do you thank such a mentor as this,
whose trust in you helped you go far?

It's not in the words you say to the man,
Or the physical things you can give.
The way to express your love for his gift is
to share what he taught as you live.

Share the compassion. Touch hearts as you
Teach. Spread joy wherever you go.
The life that you live, is the gift that you
give, to the one who helped you to grow.

Written for Dr. Gordon Jessop, my teacher and mentor...
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